

Conference Agenda September 27, 2002

8:00 – 9:00 am	Registration
9:00 – 9:30 am	Welcome & Opening Remarks
9:30 – 10:00 am	Keynote Presentation – A. James Barnes, Board Member, America's Clean Water Foundation The 30 th Anniversary of the Clean Water Act
10:00 – 11:15 am	Workshop Session #1 Options: Environmental Financial Opportunities Partners for Pollution Prevention Planning with POWER Brownfields Redevelopment
11:30 – 12:30 pm	Governor's Awards for Environmental Excellence
12:30 – 1:30 pm	Lunch
1:30 – 2:00 pm	Keynote Presentation – Congressman Andy Jacobs The Significance of the Clean Water Act to Indiana's Environment and Citizens
2:00 – 3:15 pm	Workshop Session #2 Greening Your Organization Environmental Justice in Indiana Wetlands Restoration Stormwater Phase II
3:15 – 4:30 pm	Networking with Participants & Exhibitors

Environmental Good Turn Day September 28, 2002

In celebration of the Governor's Conference on the Environment, the Indiana Natural Resources Foundation and the Indiana Department of Natural Resources will join with volunteers throughout Indiana by participating in Environmental Good Turn Day. This event will be held on the last Saturday in September and coincide with National Public Lands Day.

Environmental Good Turn Day provides an opportunity for volunteers to conduct a service project at a DNR facility or in their local community.

To participate, please contact, in advance, the local or state property at which you would like to do your service project (a listing of DNR properties and contact information can be found at www.state.in.us/dnr under Recreation Guide). Confirm directly with that property what types of projects need to be done, what you would need to bring, and how many will be participating.

We look forward to your involvement in the 2002 Environmental Good Turn Day and the resulting conservation service projects that can be accomplished throughout the State of Indiana.

Workshop Overview

Environmental Financial Opportunities

This workshop will provide an overview of financial opportunities that are available within state government to assist communities & businesses in dealing with their environmental concerns and issues. You'll hear from representatives of various state agencies on their specific programs and opportunities.

Partners for Pollution Prevention

The Indiana Partners for Pollution Prevention share ideas on how to prevent pollution through industry success stories. Through their vision, Indiana has become a place where people embrace pollution prevention as a means to live and prosper in a clean environment. Learn more about these partners and how your facility or organization can participate in this workshop session.

Planning with POWER

The Planning with POWER project is a statewide educational program that links land use planning with watershed planning at the local level. The project is designed to empower communities to prevent and solve natural resource problems resulting from changing land use in growing watersheds and to empower local officials to incorporate watershed protection measures into comprehensive land use plans.

Brownfields Redevelopment

The reuse of properties with existing infrastructure is a viable solution to the rapid disappearance of previously undeveloped land referred to as greenspace. Brownfields redevelopment adds benefits such as rejuvenating vacant buildings, increasing the tax base and creating new job opportunities. As our undeveloped land continues to disappear, come learn how to redevelop and reuse our land resources.

Greening Your Organization

Now, more than ever, organizations need to look beyond recycling and get to the nitty-gritty of what they buy, why they buy it, and how they manage it after it is purchased. Do you have commitment from the top to operate in an environmentally friendly manner? Do you measure progress toward your environmental commitments? Come hear from industry, university and state government leaders about "going green."

Environmental Justice in Indiana

The U.S. EPA defines environmental justice as the "fair treatment for people of all races, cultures, and incomes, regarding the development of environmental laws, regulations, and policies." Over the last decade, attention to the impact of environmental pollution on particular segments of our society has been steadily growing. Come hear about the emerging issue of environmental justice or equity as it applies to the economic and social impacts of environmental activities.

Wetlands Restoration

The values of wetlands are increasingly being recognized. Not only do wetlands support a wide variety of birds and other wildlife, they perform valuable hydrological functions, contribute to ground water recharge, improve water quality, and offer recreational and economic benefits. This workshop will address how to restore and maintain wetlands so that they continue to provide for the environment.

Stormwater Phase II

Polluted storm water travels overland or through storm sewer systems and is often discharged untreated directly into local water bodies. If storm water is not controlled, destruction of aquatic habitats and threats to public health can result. U.S. EPA's new NPDES Phase II storm water rule has been issued and will have far-reaching implications for storm water professionals and public works officials. Come listen to experts discuss how to tackle this issue.